

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

James M. Gaither, Jr., Esquire P.O. Box 279 Conover, NC 28613 AUG 2 3 2004

RE: MUR 5496

Dale Jarrett Ford, Inc.

Dear Mr. Gaither:

This is in response to your letter dated August 20, 2004, which we received on that day, requesting a one-week extension to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on August 31, 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal Complaints Examination & Legal Administration